

# **Executive Proclamation**

## *State of South Dakota*

## *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota is committed to recognizing our growth and strength which depends on the safety and economic value of the homes, buildings, and infrastructure that serve our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster; and,

*Whereas*, Our confidence in the structural integrity of these buildings that make up our community is achieved through the devotion of building safety and fire prevention officials, architects, engineers, builders, tradespeople, design professionals, laborers, and others in the construction industry who work to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and,

*Whereas*, These guardians are dedicated members of the International Code Council, a United States based organization, that brings together local, state, and federal officials who are experts in the building environment to create and implement the highest-quality codes to protect us in the buildings where we live, learn, work, worship, and play; and,

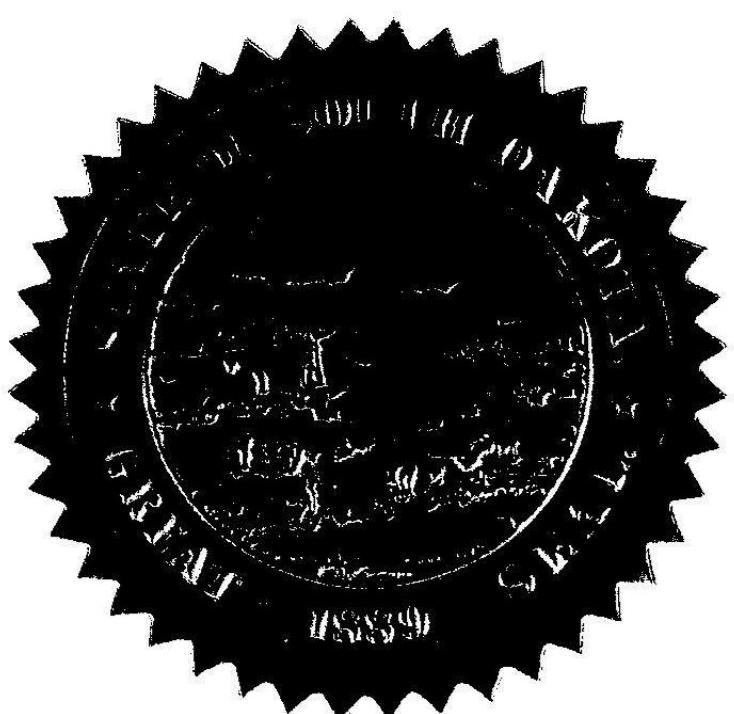
*Whereas*, “Code Officials—Partners in Community Safety and Economic Growth” the theme for Building Safety Month 2017, encourages all Americans to raise awareness of the importance of building safe and resilient construction; fire prevention; disaster mitigation, and new technologies in the construction industry; and,

*Whereas*, Each year Americans are asked to consider the commitment to improve building safety and economic investment at home and in the community and to acknowledge the essential service provided to all of us by local and state building departments, fire prevention bureaus, and federal agencies in protecting lives and property:

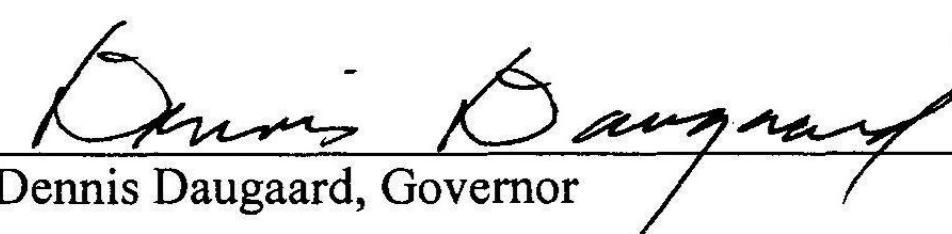
*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 21-27, 2017, as

## **BUILDING SAFETY WEEK**

in South Dakota.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

  
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Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

  
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Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State